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The health and sanitary conditions of the port and adjacent country continue most satisfactory. Two deaths reported for the week—an adult, female, abortion; a child, premature birth.

Respectfully, R. H. PETERS,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

List of vessels inspected and cleared during week ended August 30, 1900.

Date.	Vessel.	Master.	Crew.	Destination.	No. of passengers.	No. pieces of baggage.
Aug. 25	Nor. ss. Espana	Danielsen	14	Mobile		
Aug. 26	Br. ss. Usk	Hurry	18	do		
Aug. 29	Am. ss. Foxhall	Lawson	26	do		
Do	Am. ss. S. Oteri	De Luca	29	Boston		
Do	Nor. ss. Banes	Tronstad	16	New Orleans		

PUERTO CORTEZ, HONDURAS, *September 8, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit report for the week ended September 6, 1900, and inclose list of vessels inspected and cleared during the week. The health and sanitary conditions of the port and adjacent country continue satisfactory. No death reported for the week.

Respectfully, R. H. PETERS,
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List of vessels inspected and cleared during week ended September 6, 1900.

Date.	Vessel.	Master.	Number of crew.	Destination.	Number of passengers.	Number of pieces baggage disinfected.
Sept. 1	Ss. Oregon	Hegge	29	New York, N. Y.	5	
Sept. 2	Ss. Utstein	Aarswold	16	New Orleans, La.		
Sept. 3	Ss. Fulton	Pettersen	14	Mobile, Ala.		
Sept. 5	Ss. Stillwater	Galt	32	New Orleans, La.		

ITALY.

Reports from Naples.

NAPLES, ITALY, *August 29, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended August 29, 1900, bills of health were issued to the following ships:

On August 23, the steamship *Spartan Prince*, of the Prince Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 16 cabin and 707 steerage passengers and 120 pieces of large and 750 pieces of small baggage. Fifty pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

On August 25, the steamship *Bolivia*, of the Anchor Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 6 cabin and 464 steerage passengers and 53 pieces of large and

567 pieces of small baggage. Fifteen pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

On August 29, the steamship *Hardanger*, bound in ballast for Baltimore, Md.

The emigration has fallen off to a marked degree during the past month. This may be accounted for in several ways, first, the emigration naturally drops during the summer months; second, 2 of the lines have been handicapped for steamers on account of the troubles in China, and another line is unable to run on account of the strike at Marseilles.

Respectfully, VICTOR G. HEISER,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

NAPLES, ITALY, *September 5, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended September 5, 1900, the following ships were inspected:

On August 31, the steamship *Werra*, of the North German Lloyd Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 138 cabin and 712 steerage passengers and 202 pieces of large and 841 pieces of small baggage. Twenty-one pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

On September 1, the steamship *Archimede*, of the Italian Navigation Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 39 cabin and 931 steerage passengers and 387 pieces of large and 954 pieces of small baggage. Sixty-two pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

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Respectfully, VICTOR G. HEISER,
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MEXICO.

Report from Vera Cruz.

VERA CRUZ, MEXICO, *September 9, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended September 8:

There have been 20 cases and 6 deaths from yellow fever and 9 cases and 4 deaths from smallpox. Five vessels have been inspected and health certificates issued to 112 passengers. On account of the prevalence of a strong "norther," the atmospheric conditions have been much improved, with the probability of an early improvement in the fever situation. There does not seem to be any improvement in the smallpox condition and an increase of the disease is looked for with the advent of the cool weather. The health of the shipping continues perfect and the greater part of the outgoing passengers are from the non-infected interior towns and these two conditions render the passenger traffic reasonably safe.

Respectfully, S. H. HODGSON,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

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